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After surviving a future where villains murdered everything good in the world, including his own wife and children, Old Man Logan awoke in the present, determined to prevent that reality from coming to pass. But even after he accepted that the past in which he found himself was not his own, he was still haunted by the family he lost.

Logan's recent journey to seek out the girl who would become his wife brought nothing but tragedy and death in his wake. Coming to terms with the consequences of his presence in the lives of the people he loves, Logan vowed to keep his distance-leading him to become increasingly isolated.

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MANHATTAN.
THEN.
GET A LITTLE CLOSER. MARK, SMILE! NO FUNNY FACES EITHER, MISTER!
BREAKING
THOR SAVES LIVES
STARK
STEVE, WOULD YOU PLEASE LOOK AT THE CAMERA?
BUT, MOM, LOOK!
WHAT-- WHAT *IS* THAT?
THIS IS HOW IT STARTED...

THIS IS HOW THE WORLD ENDED.

X-HAVEN.
NOW.
IT COULD BE TONIGHT.
WE'RE NOT READY. I'M NOT READY.
I'VE GOTTEN TOO COMFORTABLE HERE. I'VE LET MY GUARD DOWN.
NO, YOU HAVEN'T. AND IT'S NOT GOING TO HAPPEN.
HUH?
JEANNIE, WHAT'RE YOU DOING AWAKE AND INSIDE MY NOGGIN?
I COULDN'T SLEEP. I COULD FEEL YOUR NERVOUS ENERGY ALL THE WAY FROM MY ROOM. SORRY FOR READING YOUR THOUGHTS. I THOUGHT MAYBE I COULD HELP.
YOU CAN'T. PROBABLY JUST ME BEING PARANOID AGAIN.
IT WAS A NIGHT JUST LIKE THIS. EVERYTHING SEEMED QUIET. NO SIGN OF TROUBLE. AND THEN...

BUT THAT'S JUST IT, LOGAN. YOU GOTTA REALIZE BY NOW THAT IT WAS NOTHING LIKE TONIGHT. I MEAN, WHEN ALL THE VILLAINS GOT TOGETHER AND ATTACKED, IN YOUR TIMELINE, EVERYTHING WAS SO DIFFERENT.
THE XAVIER MANSION WAS STILL ON EARTH, NOT IN LIMBO LIKE IT IS NOW. THERE WAS NO M-POX. MAGNETO WAS STILL A FULL-ON BAD GUY, NOT FIGHTING ALONGSIDE A TEAM OF X-MEN. THOR WAS STILL A DUDE. AND ON AND ON...
IN THE LIGHT OF DAY I CAN RATIONALIZE ALL THAT, JEANNIE. BUT NIGHTS ARE THE WORST. AT NIGHT MY MIND CAN'T HELP BUT GET THE BEST OF ME.
I CAN'T HELP THINKING THAT EVEN THOUGH SO MANY OF THE DETAILS ARE DIFFERENT NOW, IT WILL STILL HAPPEN. THE UNIVERSE WILL FIND A WAY OF REPEATING ITSELF.
AND IF IT DOES...IF MYSTERIO AND THE OTHERS GET IN MY HEAD AGAIN AND MAKE ME KILL YOU AND THE REST OF THE X-MEN... WELL, I CAN'T LET THAT HAPPEN, JEANNIE. NOT AGAIN. I JUST CAN'T.
IT WON'T, LOGAN. WHEN YOU AGREED TO JOIN THE X-MEN I PROMISED YOU I'D KEEP AN EYE ON YOU, THAT I WON'T LET ANYONE GET IN YOUR HEAD AGAIN. I'M HERE TO KEEP YOU SHARP, REMEMBER?
I KNOW, I KNOW...
OKAY...HOLD ON A MINUTE. I'M GOING TO GET MY COSTUME. WE'RE GOING ON A LITTLE ROAD TRIP.
ROAD TRIP? WHAT'RE YOU TALKING ABOUT, JEANNIE? WHERE'RE WE GOING?

MANHATTAN. THEN.
AARRRRGH!!!
MOON KNIGHT IS DOWN! WE NEED BACKUP!!
WHERE THE HELL ARE THE AVENGERS?!
THEY HAVE THEIR HANDS FULL! THIS IS HAPPENING EVERYWHERE!
IT'S UP TO US TO STAND OUR GROUND!

CASTLE?!
NEVER SEEN THEM LIKE THIS BEFORE... WORKING TOGETHER, COMBINING THEIR POWERS. HOW THE HELL DID THEY GET SO ORGANIZED?!
HOW ISN'T IMPORTANT RIGHT NOW, THE ONLY THING THAT MATTERS IS STOPPING--
ARRRGH!
POOR THINGS. THEY HAVE NO IDEA WHAT'S HAPPENING.
UNGH!
THUNK
BEST HUNT EVER.
NO!!!

MANHATTAN.
NOW.
SHRACK
NEW YORK? WHAT ARE YOU UP TO, JEANNIE? AND WHY'D WE HAVE TO BRING THE RUST BUCKET?
I DO HAVE A NAME, YOU KNOW, LOGAN. YOUR CONSTANT INSULTS ARE GETTING A BIT--
QUIET, OR I'LL WELD YOUR MOUTH SHUT.
WE NEEDED CEREBRA FOR EASY TELEPORTATION, LOGAN. I WANTED TO BRING YOU HERE BECAUSE YOU ONCE TOLD ME THIS IS WHERE IT STARTED, RIGHT? THE BATTLE OF NEW YORK?
DAREDEVIL AND THE OTHERS MADE THEIR LAST STAND RIGHT HERE. THIS IS WHERE THEY DIED. IT STARTED RIGHT AT MIDNIGHT.

CEREBRA, DO YOU HAVE THE TIME?
AS A MATTER OF FACT I DO, JEAN. IT IS CURRENTLY ONE THIRTY-SIX A.M.
YOU SEE? EVERYTHING'S FINE. NO MASS VILLAIN ATTACK. NOTHING.
OKAY, FINE. YOU PROVED YOUR POINT, RED. TONIGHT AIN'T THE NIGHT. WE CAN ALL SLEEP SOUNDLY. LET'S JUST GET OUT OF HERE.
NO WAY. WE'RE NOT GOING BACK TO X-HAVEN UNTIL WE SEE THIS THROUGH. YOU'RE STILL UNEASY, I CAN FEEL IT. SO WHERE TO NEXT?
COME ON, JEANNIE, ENOUGH IS ENOUGH.
WHERE TO NEXT? IT STARTED IN NEW YORK, BUT THEN WHAT?
...
PYM FALLS.
PYM FALLS?

CONNECTICUT. THEN.
THEY'RE DOWN! THE AVENGERS ARE--
THOOM
NOT ALL OF US! YOU BASTARDS THINK THIS IS THE END?! WE'LL NEVER STOP FIGHTING! NEVER!
YOU GOT A BIG MOUTH ON YOU, PYM...BUT IT AIN'T GONNA BE ENOUGH TO SAVE YOU.

JANET, YOU HAVE TO GET OUT OF HERE! VISION AND CAP ARE IN WASHINGTON! GET TO THEM, THEY'LL KNOW WHAT TO DO!
I'LL HOLD THEM OFF! GO!
NO! I'M NOT LEAVING--
SHRACK
JANET!
WRAAAA
THE BIG GUY IS PISSED! TIME TO CALL IN THE SECOND WAVE!

LOOK AT 'EM. JUST LIKE A BUNCH OF ANTS. NOW AIN'T THAT IRONIC.
NO!!!

RUMBLE

CONNECTICUT.
NOW.
SHRACK
NO SIGN OF ANY PYMS...BIG OR SMALL.
YEAH, YEAH. I GET IT, JEANNIE. ENOUGH OF THE MAGICAL MYSTERY TOUR. I'M GOOD.
OKAY. BUT THERE'S ONE LAST THING I WANT TO SHOW YOU, OKAY?
UPSTATE NEW YORK.
SHRACK
YOU RECOGNIZE THIS PLACE, YEAH?
SNFF
SNFF

THIS--THIS IS IT. THIS IS WHERE IT WAS, BEFORE ILLYANA MOVED IT...

"THE XAVIER MANSION."

SHOULDN'T HAVE BROUGHT ME HERE, JEANNIE...

"...NOT TONIGHT."
DISTRESS CALLS?
YEAH. FROM THE AVENGERS...S.H.I.E.L.D.... THE FANTASTIC FOUR... WAKANDA. JUST ABOUT EVERYWHERE, LOGAN.

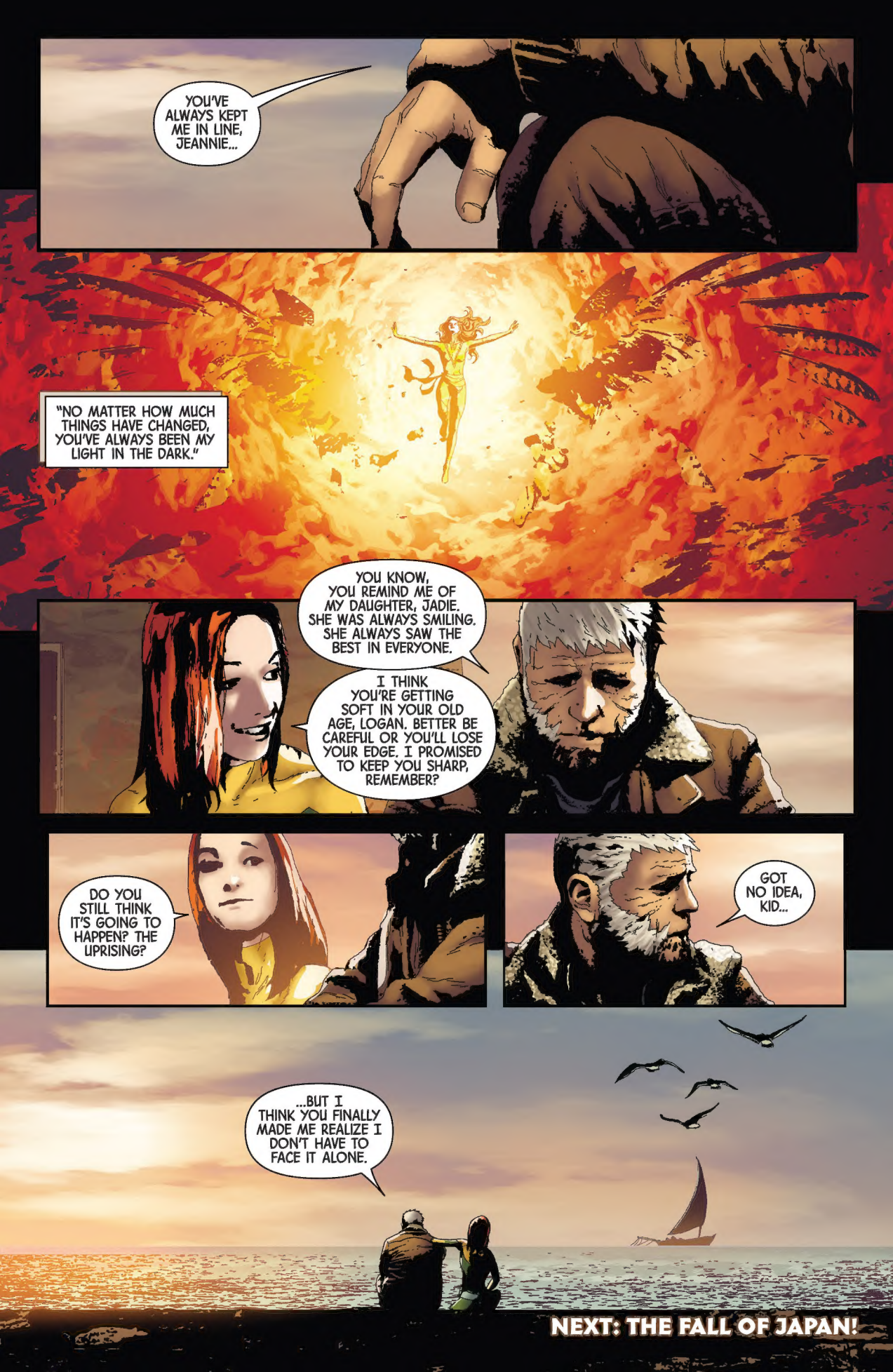
HELLO, WOLVERINE.
THIS IS THE BIG ONE.
WE NEED TO GET OUT OF HERE, JUBILEE. NOW.
TOO LATE!
JUBILEE! NO!

LOGAN... IT'S OKAY. IT'S GOING TO BE OKAY.
OKAY, CEREBRA, TIME TO GO. ONE MORE STOP.
ONE MORE? YOU SAID THE SCHOOL GROUNDS WERE OUR LAST STOP?
I LIED.
SHRACK
MADRIPOOR? JEANNIE, WHAT ARE YOU UP TO NOW?
YOU'LL SEE. CEREBRA, SORRY, I DON'T THINK YOU'LL FIT INSIDE.
I UNDERSTAND, JEAN. I SHALL BE HAPPY TO WAIT HERE AND GUARD THE DOORS.
OKAY, FULL DISCLOSURE TIME, LOGAN. I FELT YOU GETTING MORE AND MORE ON EDGE LATELY. I KNOW THAT IN YOUR TIME, TONIGHT IS *CLOSE* TO WHEN THE VILLAIN UPRISING HAPPENED.

YOU SAID IT YOURSELF, LOGAN... NIGHTS ARE THE WORST. SO I THOUGHT YOU COULD USE *SOME COMPANY* TO HELP YOU GET THROUGH *THIS ONE.*
PUCK? I HEARD YOU WERE IN SPACE.
SHORE LEAVE. BESIDES, I NEVER COULD PASS UP A GOOD PARTY.
ROGERS. SO I GUESS WE'RE GOOD?
ALWAYS, LOGAN.
WOW, KATE TOLD ME YOU WERE OLD, BUT SHE THINKS EVERYONE OVER TWENTY-FIVE IS A SENIOR CITIZEN. I HAD TO SEE IT WITH MY OWN EYES.
SAME OLD BARTON.

YOU'VE BEEN BACK FOR MONTHS.
I KNOW. I BEEN--I WAS--
YOU WERE AVOIDING ME.
...
IT'S GOOD TO SEE YOU, LOGAN.
YOU HAVE *NO IDEA*, FIRECRACKER.
THAT BETTER JUST BE A SODA, JEANNIE.
DON'T BE SUCH A PARTY POOPER, OLD MAN.

THERE YOU ARE. CAN'T HELP SNEAKING OFF ON YOUR OWN, CAN YOU?
IT'S IN MY NATURE, JEANNIE. HOW'S THE PARTY?
STILL GOING STRONG. PUCK IS A MADMAN. HOW CAN SOMEONE SO SMALL DRINK SO MUCH BEER?
HE'S CANADIAN.
WELL, THE SUN'S UP, LOGAN. YOU MADE IT THROUGH ANOTHER NIGHT.
WE MADE IT THROUGH ANOTHER NIGHT, JEANNIE. TRUTH IS, I BEEN SITTING OUT HERE THINKING ABOUT YOU, KID.
OH YEAH?
YEAH. YOU KNOW THERE ARE SOME THINGS ABOUT THIS WORLD THAT ARE SO SIMILAR TO WHERE I CAME FROM. AND THERE ARE SOME THINGS THAT ARE DIFFERENT. BUT YOU'RE THE BIG ONE, JEANNIE.
YOU *WEREN'T AROUND* WHEN THE VILLAINS ATTACKED. YOU WERE ALREADY DEAD IN MY TIMELINE. BUT HERE YOU ARE.
HERE I AM.


YOU'VE ALWAYS KEPT ME IN LINE, JEANNIE...
"NO MATTER HOW MUCH THINGS HAVE CHANGED, YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN MY LIGHT IN THE DARK."
YOU KNOW, YOU REMIND ME OF MY DAUGHTER, JADIE. SHE WAS ALWAYS SMILING. SHE ALWAYS SAW THE BEST IN EVERYONE.
I THINK YOU'RE GETTING SOFT IN YOUR OLD AGE, LOGAN. BETTER BE CAREFUL OR YOU'LL LOSE YOUR EDGE. I PROMISED TO KEEP YOU SHARP, REMEMBER?
DO YOU STILL THINK IT'S GOING TO HAPPEN? THE UPRISING?
GOT NO IDEA, KID...
...BUT I THINK YOU FINALLY MADE ME REALIZE I DON'T HAVE TO FACE IT ALONE.
NEXT: THE FALL OF JAPAN!

YOU WANT TO KNOW WHAT HAPPENS *NEXT*? DON'T MISS:

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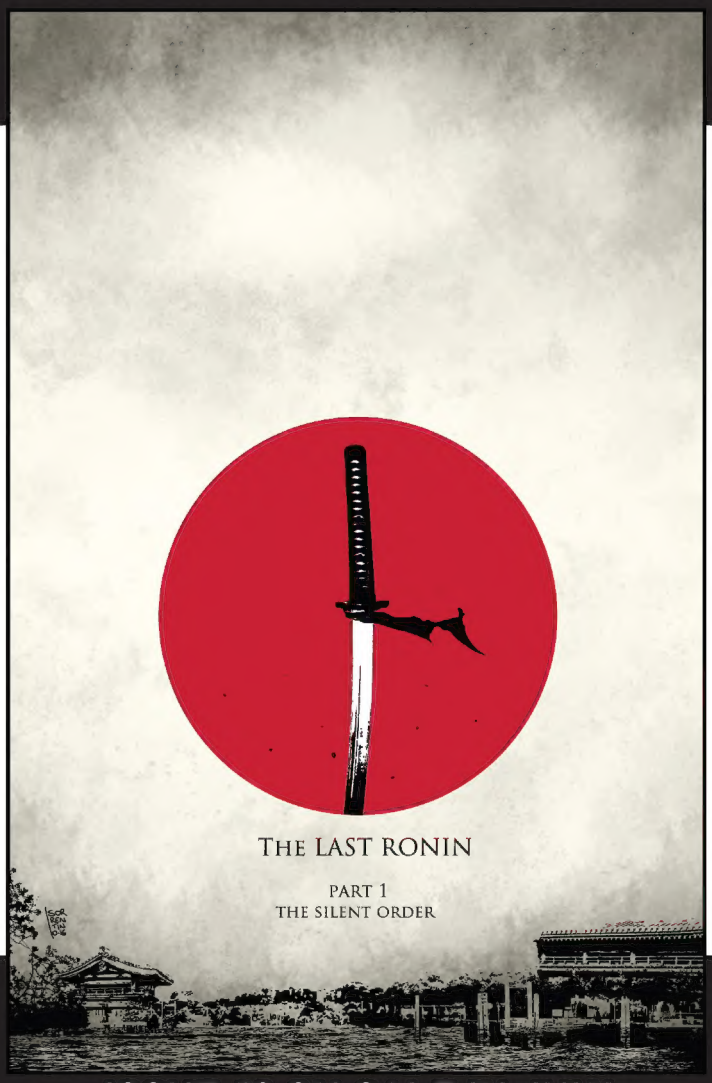

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